

## CURRENT HAPPENINGS

FAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

6 ARE CONSECRATED

### IMPOSING CATHOLIC CEREMONY IN ST. PAUL THURSDAY.

An Event of Great Moment--Never Overshadowed but Once in the History of the Church in Modern Times--Noted Prelates Take Part.

Significant of the growth of Catholicism in the new world was the splendid ceremony performed by Archbishop Ireland in St. Paul, Minn., Thursday, by which for the first time since the church came to America six bishops were consecrated simultaneously.

These bishops of St. Paul province received their divine commissions at the hands of their own venerable metropolitan, assisted by two of his remaining bishops, in the chapel of St. Paul's seminary almost precisely at the spot where Father Louis Hennepin, the first Christian missionary to the region of the future province, landed on the bank of the Mississippi "a league below the falls of St. Anthony" 230 years ago.

The bishops consecrated were Rev. James O'Reilly, of Minneapolis, bishop of Fargo, N. D.

Rev. John J. Lawler, cathedral of St. Paul, auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of St. Paul.

Rev. Patrick R. Heffron, rector of St. Paul's seminary, bishop of Winona, Minn.

Rev. Timothy Corbett, of Duluth, bishop of Crookston, Minn.

Rev. Vincent Wehrle, of the Benedictine order and abbot of the monastery at Richardson, N. D., bishop of Bismark, N. D.

Rev. Joseph F. Busch, head of the missionary band in the archdiocese of St. Paul, bishop at Lead, S. D.

### OVER \$30,000 IS STOLEN.

Three Packages Taken from Oil City, Pa.

Three packages of money containing \$32,024 were stolen from the Pennsylvania depot at Oil City, Pa., Thursday while John J. Truby, the station agent, was loading baggage on to a Buffalo bound train. The money was being shipped by the Adams-Express company to Philadelphia.

The railroad detectives investigating the robbery are of the opinion that the theft was the work of one man, who knew the money was in the depot and knew just where it was located.

The Pennsylvania railroad pay car arrived in Oil City late Wednesday night and turned over to the day station agent three packages of money wrapped in manila paper containing \$32,024, which were received for in the name of the Adams Express company. The money was consigned to the treasurer's office of the Pennsylvania railroad in Philadelphia.

The packages proved to be too bulky for storage in the small depot safe and Night Agent Truby placed them under a sack behind the ticket counter, covering them carefully. There was no one in the depot.

At 3:30 o'clock Thursday morning the Buffalo bound Pennsylvania train pulled into the station and Truby stepped out on the platform, closing the office door behind him. "The door is self locking. While about 200 feet from the depot office Truby saw by the light of the station platform lamp that the office was not closed. Hurrying back he ran into his office and discovered the three packages of money were missing. A hurried search of the train and vicinity of the station was made with no results.

### Denver Signs New Player.

In an effort to stop the losing streak of the Denver Western league team, President McGill has practically concluded negotiations whereby Second Baseman Cranston, of the Kansas City American association team, will go to Denver. He will replace Thompson at second base.

### Judge Jenkins Confirmed.

The senate Thursday confirmed the nomination of former Congressman John J. Jenkins, of Wisconsin, to be United States district judge of the district of Porto Rico.

### Five Dead in an Explosion.

Five men were killed Thursday by an explosion in the Hamilton powder works, four miles from Nanaimo, B. C.

### Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$7.50. Top hogs, \$9.45.

### Pitcher Higgins Returned.

Pitcher Higgins, who was recently released to the Denver Western league club by the St. Louis Nationals, has been returned to the latter club because of a hitch in the conditions of release.

### Naval Commodore Dead.

John Augustine Nicols, 51 years old, commodore in the United States navy and a native of Boston, died at Richmond, Va., Thursday morning.

### COMET'S VISIT OVER.

Old Mother Earth Escapes Without a Scratch.

The comet came, the comet went, and this old world is no worse and no better, and thus far, very little wiser. There was no collision, as the superstitious and the ignorant feared, and now that the comet is headed away from us, there will be no recurrence of the manifestations of terror that were recorded from all parts of the country and of the world. The earth did pass through the tail of the comet, but nobody suffocated from deadly cyanogen gas.

To the naked eye the comet was the "veriest approach to nothing set in the midst of naught." In fact the phenomena of the daylight hours of Wednesday were far more interesting. During the afternoon sun spots were observed in varying number about the same hour from five western observatories, but the astronomers who recorded them were almost unanimous in the belief that the disturbances of the solar atmosphere had nothing to do with the approach of the comet and were merely coincidental.

Thirty sun spots were seen from St. Louis, of which the largest was estimated to be 150,000 miles across; two from San Jose, Cal., with thirteen surrounding spots, or smaller spots; three "considerably accentuated spots" from Chicago, three connected spots from Vallejo, Cal., and two from Portland, Ore. None of the eastern observatories had anything of note to report, either during the day or night.

At Chicago and at Williams Bay, Wis., where is the great Yerkes telescope, the conditions for observation seemed the best, and the astronomers there seemed to believe that the negative as well as the positive results of their examinations would be of lasting value.

While the performance took little more than five hours, astronomers differed as to the exact time the earth began to pass through the comet's tail, but the general opinion averages between 10 and 11 o'clock Wednesday night. The speed of the earth and the tail of the comet was estimated at slightly more than forty-six miles a second, and the breadth of the tail at about 1,000,000 miles.

### VICTIM OF FEUD.

Man Who is Shot Refuses to Tell Who Fired Bullets.

The "Gopher gang," a west side organization in New York, succeeded in "getting" George J. Gallagher, known otherwise as "Newburgh George," Tuesday, the police believe. Gallagher, known as a member of the gang, was taken in a dying condition to the New York hospital with two bullet wounds in his stomach. Although he was conscious, he refused to say who shot him, but the police declare their belief that the shooting was an outcome of one of the numerous feuds in gang circles which frequently develop deadly assaults and murders.

Following recent robberies in the ranks of the "Gophers," Gallagher was shot at four times about a month ago on Tenth avenue.

### TRAIN STRIKES A COW.

One Fatally and Three Seriously Hurt in a Wabash Wreck.

Wabash fast passenger train No. 12, eastbound, drawn by two engines, struck a cow on a curve five miles west of DeWitt, Mo., at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and in the wreck that followed one man was fatally injured and three more seriously hurt. A score of passengers suffered slight injuries.

Engineer Thomas Davis was so badly scalded that he will die. Engineer Chas. Greecy and Fireman George Blaine and G. W. Penick sustained dangerous injuries.

### METHODIST BISHOPS CHOSEN.

Important Action Taken by the General Conference.

Rev. W. B. Lambuth, of Tennessee, and Rev. E. D. Monzon and Rev. S. G. Waterhouse, of Virginia, were elected bishops on the fourth ballot at the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church south, according to the announcement made shortly after the opening of the conference at Asheville, N. C., Tuesday. On the sixth ballot Rev. J. H. McCoy, of Birmingham, Ala., was elected as the seventh bishop, filling the college of the bishops.

### RIOT IN VALENCIA SPAIN.

One Person Killed and Many Hurt in Clash with Troops.

A collision between republicans and gendarmes is reported from Valencia, Spain, in connection with a manifestation in honor of the arrival there of the republican deputy, Senor Serarriano. The gendarmes charged and the republicans used knives and stones. An officer was stabbed and killed and many persons were wounded. Fifty arrests were made and order was finally restored after manifestations had sought refuge at the Republican club.

### Attorney Held as Embezzler.

G. A. Phillips, an attorney of South Bend, Ind., has been arrested on the charge of embezzlement. It is alleged that he collected \$500 and failed to turn the money over to his client.

### Steel Strike Settled.

The strike at the Bethlehem, Pa., steel works which had been in progress since February 4, was officially declared off Wednesday.

### BODIES TORN TO BITS.

Thirteen Workmen Killed in Town of Canton, O.

Quick death to thirteen, serious injury to thirty more employees of the plant and damage to the buildings amounting to many thousands of dollars--these are the results of the explosion of a battery of seven boilers Tuesday afternoon at the American Sheet and Tin Plate company's plant at Canton, O.

Among the injured are many who cannot recover. The force of the explosion was terrific. The big plant is in such a state of ruin as to be practically a total loss. A meager eggshell of the building is left.

Identification of the men was difficult, as many of them were mutilated. Heads were blown from several bodies. Arms and legs were torn from the trunks, bits of the bodies were blown for blocks and pitched upon porches and roofs of houses and in trees.

There were 100 men at work in the plant at the time of the accident. But a dozen or so escaped some injury. These and others who rushed to the plant as soon as the disaster was known worked heroically to rescue the injured from the ruins, which soon took fire, but the fire department extinguished the flames. Members of the bereaved families rushed frantically to the plant and thence to hospitals and residences near the ruined shops in an effort to find a trace of their loved ones.

The body of one man, unknown, was blown through a house 700 feet from the plant. The body entered the house from the east side and continued in a straight line through a bedroom and out the west side. The torso of another man was found in a garden 500 feet away.

### WOMAN SLAYER IS CAPTURED.

Widow Alleges She Shot Husband to Keep Him From Beating Her.

Mrs. J. A. Sunderland, who is accused by the police of Chippewa Falls, Wis., of having murdered her husband and who disappeared immediately after the shooting Saturday night, was found Tuesday about a mile and a half north of the city. She had been wandering in the woods since early Sunday morning.

The woman has not made a statement to the officers, but told her sister she shot her husband during a quarrel.

According to the woman's story Sunderland beat her about the head, giving her a black eye. The shooting occurred after a second attempt by Sunderland to whip his wife.

### BODY CRUSHED TO A PULP.

Chicago Business Man Jumps from Thirteenth Story Window.

John A. Ryerson, a prominent Chicago business man, jumped from the thirteenth floor of the Chamber of Commerce building Monday night and was instantly killed, his body being mashed into an unrecognizable pulp. Relatives believe the suicide was caused by supposedly financial difficulties. His wife, who formerly was Miss Violet Stone, daughter of Rev. Jas. Stone, rector of St. James Episcopal church, is prostrated and fears for her life are expressed by her family.

Mr. Ryerson had attained considerable fame in American tennis circles. He was western champion in 1890-1892.

### CHARLES I. SUFFOCATED.

Famous Educated Chimpanzee Found Dead in Railway Car.

Charles I., the famous educated chimpanzee, valued at \$65,000, which has been exhibited all over the world, was suffocated in a car Monday night while en route from Seattle to Denver.

The animal was found dead when the car was opened in the morning, the heat from a steam radiator having proved too much for it.

Charles I. smoked cigarettes and signed his own name.

### DIE OF SUFFOCATION.

Bodies of Two Children are Found Locked in a Tool Box.

Locked in a tool box in the woodshed at their home in South Boise, Idaho, the bodies of Arnes and Willie Schler, children of Harry Schler, were discovered after a search that lasted all night.

It is presumed that the children while at play in the large tool box drew down the lid which was self-locking.

### Fires a Fatal Shot.

Wallace A. Russell, of Seattle, Wash., 23 years old, walked into the Monte Carlo saloon and gambling house and fatally shot the proprietor, Joseph Bonner.

### Fearful Comet, Suicided.

Worry over the reports that Halley's comet would set fire to the world is given as the cause for the suicide of Wade Cowan of Decatur, Ala.

### Seek Missing Heir to \$250,000.

A search is being made at Evansville, Ind., for George F. Kimberly, or George H. Brown, who disappeared from his home at Auburn, Neb., twenty years ago. A relative recently died leaving Brown \$250,000.

### Reform School Fever Fatal.

The first death due to typhoid fever at the Indiana Boys' Reform school at Plainfield, Ind., occurred Tuesday, the victim being Fred Igenitz.

News of the Week

## Nebraska State News

In Concise Form

### TRIED TO DROWN EMPLOYER.

Serious Charge is Made Against a Citizen of Pierce.

Oscar Rish, an employe in the pool hall of Nick Coury, at Pierce, is accused of making a strenuous attempt to drown Coury in the river below the mill dam. The two men had been fishing during the afternoon and as the evening came on Coury decided to go home. He noticed that Rish had been keeping behind him, and as he rose, he alleges, Rish seized him and threw him over a steep bank into the deep and swift stream below. As he came to the surface he saw Rish on the edge of the bank with one of the fish poles, but not to rescue him, as he at first thought. He says Rish prodded and pounded him over the head with the pole in an effort to keep him under water. Evidently thinking he had accomplished his purpose, Rish went away and Coury, though nearly all in, managed to get to shore by the aid of the pole and flailing that Rish had used to push his head under water. The line had become entangled in the brush on the edge of the bank and the half-strangled man caught the pole and drew himself to shore. No reason is known for the attack. Coury and Rish are Syrians and Rish has worked for Coury in the pool hall for several months. He is of a moody disposition, but was never considered dangerous. Monday afternoon Rish pulled a gun while at the pool hall and shot himself through the fleshy part of the left leg between the knee and hip. It is not known whether the act was accident or an attempt to commit suicide. The gun, a .32-caliber, was taken from him by Chief of Police Geo. Goff, though he begged to keep it, as he said he needed it to protect himself. His wound will keep him in bed for some time.

### APPROVES CONSOLIDATION.

Auditor Barton Favors Union of Two Lodges.

State Auditor Barton has approved the plan of consolidation of the Highland Nobles of Waterloo, Ia., and the American Order of Protection of Lincoln. Before the consolidation may be effected it is necessary that two-thirds of the membership in both lodges vote in the affirmative. The first protest that has yet arisen has come from Cheyenne, Wyo., where a member of the latter company entered a protest and insisted that if the order would change its headquarters to Cheyenne there would be little trouble about enlarging its membership and securing enough interested men to boom the order.

It is proposed to name the consolidated order the American Nobles. The present laws governing the two orders are to be amended to provide for the election of a board of supreme trustees, or not less than five nor more than seven members; and adding to the officers supreme physician for territory west of the Missouri river, and supreme organizer. These two officers and two of the trustees are to be elected from among the membership of the American Order of Protection, recommended by its advisory board.

### GRAND ARMY MEN.

Twelve Hundred People at Fairbury for State Veterans' Session.

The first day of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Fairbury was ushered in at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning by a bugle call from the dome of the court house. About 1,200 delegates had already arrived and the various committees have been busy all day taking care of their guests.

Martial music was furnished all during the day by the National Association of Civil War Veterans. Three concerts were given by the Hebron military band and other bands and drum corps kept things lively all day.

The city was beautifully decorated in our national colors, every business house was covered with bunting and flags, and a majority of the residences displayed the stars and stripes.

### CHILD BITTEN BY BATTLE.

Prompt Action by the Father Saves Girl's Life.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bright, farmers who live in the neighborhood of Johnson, took their 3-year-old daughter, Vera, to the field with them while they worked. The child wandered away from the parents a considerable distance and was bitten on the leg by a rattlesnake. When the snake bit her she screamed for her mother, and upon the parent reaching the child the little one said a "long mouse" had bitten her. The imprints of the snake's fangs were pronounced. The father ran to the house with the child, took his razor and made incisions in the wound and sucked the poison from the same. In the meantime the mother had telephoned for the doctor, who, upon arriving, found his work reduced to the minimum owing to the prompt action of the thoughtful father.

### NOW HAVE TWELVE SALOONS.

Possibility of Three More for Nebraska City.

At a special meeting of the city council of Nebraska City, held on Thursday evening, a saloon license was granted to J. V. Shackleton, of Beatrice, who has opened a saloon in the room adjoining the Watson hotel. This makes the twelfth saloon license granted. C. W. Schneider, who applied for a license and against whom a remonstrance had been filed, has withdrawn his money and petition. Remonstrances were filed against four applicants and the council refused to grant one, after having a hearing, and the other three withdrew their money and bond. Three others have given notice they are going to apply and if they are granted licenses it will give Nebraska City fifteen saloons for the coming year.

### Children Make Complaint.

James Catlin, a resident of Beatrice, was fined \$25 and costs in police court recently. Catlin was charged with being drunk and disorderly conduct. He was taken in charge by the night officer upon the complaint of his children, who stated that Catlin was beating his wife.

### Overrule the Remonstrance.

The village board of Barnston, overruled the remonstrance of Charles Churda against the applications of E. H. Thomas and John Wolcott and granted saloon licenses to the two men.

### J. C. White is Arrested.

A man giving the name of J. C. White was arrested at Beatrice charged with short-changing a number of merchants in that town.

### WIFE MAKES UP DIFFERENCE.

Mrs. Rosa Wilcox, of Cairo, Will Return and Extra Man Will Leave.

Sheriff James Dunkel returned to Grand Island last week from Denver with Mrs. Rosa Wilcox and Paul Jensen, both of Cairo, in his custody. They were accompanied by Mr. Wilcox, husband of the woman.

Wilcox is a prominent and wealthy farmer, Jensen is a cattle buyer and has had many business dealings with Wilcox, often being at his home. It appears that Jensen alienated the affections of Mrs. Wilcox, who has five children, the oldest almost of age, and that shortly after his departure from Cairo, after a wrangle with a member of the Wilcox household, Mrs. Wilcox came to Grand Island, ostensibly on a shopping trip, and then disappeared.

The couple was traced to Denver and the husband and the sheriff followed. Denver detectives located them at a rooming house, it is said, and the couple was promptly arrested. Jensen is 29 years of age and Mrs. Wilcox is several years his senior.

A reconciliation has been effected and Jensen will not be prosecuted provided he keeps his promise to leave the country and pays the costs. It was finally arranged that Mr. Wilcox should set up an establishment in Grand Island and Jensen should leave.

### C. H. WILSON UNDER ARREST.

Board of Health Files Complaint at Broken Bow.

Some excitement was caused at Broken Bow when C. H. Wilson, a chiropractic adjuster, who has been conducting operations there for some time past, was arrested on a complaint issued from the county attorney's office, charging him with illegal practice of medicine. Wilson went to Broken Bow several months ago and immediately commenced doing a land office business, some days handling as high as \$0 to 100 cents. He has a big following, and as a great number of people claim to have been benefited or cured of their ailments through him, more or less indignation has been expressed over the arrest. Mr. Wilson emphatically denies that he practices medicine, nor does he lay claim to being a healer. He calls himself an adjuster of the chiropractic school and says he writes no professional prescriptions.

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## BLAZING WOODS PERIL FARMS AND VILLAGES

Grand Marais, Minn., Reported by Wireless to Be Doomed by Flames.

### WIND SHIFT AIDS ALSTON, MICH.

Farmers in Wisconsin and Michigan Battle Blazes to Save Their Homes.

A wireless message from Grand Marais, Minn., received at Duluth, said that forest fires were bearing down on the village and that it seemed doomed. The operator said it was his last message, as the fire was getting so close that he would have to abandon his tower and seek safety. Grand Marais is on the north shore of Lake Superior and is an old trading post. So far as is known, no lives have been lost. Wild animals are being driven to the lake shore by the fires. Reports received indicate that the entire northeastern part of Minnesota is smoldering, that hundreds of men are out fighting the fires, and that many villages are threatened with destruction.

A desperate battle is being waged by farmers and miners against forest fires in four different districts within a fifty mile radius of Houghton, Mich. They are trying to save a number of small settlements from destruction by the fast spreading flames.

The woods are dry and a brisk wind is carrying the fire from tree to tree with alarming rapidity. A change in the direction of the wind saved the town of Alston, which had been threatened. At L'Anse village several hundred residents quit labor and business and by means of trenches and back fires worked to arrest the progress of the fire toward the town. The Baraga County fire department, a few miles from L'Anse, was threatened by the fire, and only valiant fire fighting saved the place from destruction. The inmates were taken to private residences. Fires are raging in Ontonagon and Keweenaw Counties, and also near Allouez, Ahmeek, and Gay. The loss of ties, poles, and other cut timber is great, while much standing timber is fire swept. Fires are reported between Laurium and Torch Lake.

The entire country to the west of Washburn, Wis., is being swept by forest fires and damage running up into thousands of dollars is reported from the stricken district. The great blueberry fields west of that city have been destroyed. Hundreds of miles of country is fire swept. The smoke is so thick that the view of the sun has been shut out for days. Forest fires have leveled the south half of the town of Mosinee, Marathon County. Just before wire communication was cut off word came that a number of buildings had been destroyed, including ten residences, four stores, two saloons, post office and a sawmill.

### RAIL BILL PASSED BY HOUSE.

Traffic Agreement and Buying of Noncompeting Lines Killed.

The emasculated administration railroad bill went through the House the other day according to schedule. It was passed exactly as it came from committee of the whole, the final vote, 200 to 126, with every Republican voting aye on the main question.

Previous to the roll call on passage a motion to recommit the bill, made by Representative Adamson, of Georgia, with instructions to strike out the section providing for a commerce court, was defeated by a vote of 157 to 176. And before that a motion by Mr. Mann, chairman of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, to replace the eliminated merger section with one permitting acquisition of lines "not substantially competitive" upon authorization of the interstate commerce commission, was rejected by a vote of 160 to 169.

Not only did every Republican place himself on the side of the measure either by his vote or by being paired in its favor, but fourteen Democrats joined the majority to make the total vote in favor of the measure 200 to 126.

### EDWARD B. GARRIOTT IS DEAD.

Head Forecaster of Washington Succumbs to Sudden Illness.

Edward B. Garriott, chief forecaster of the United States weather bureau, died suddenly at his home in Washington, D. C., of acute indigestion, at the age of 57. Professor Garriott had been at his office the same day, apparently in the best of health.

For more than thirty years, or practically since the establishment of the weather bureau, he has been connected with government weather work, and for the past fifteen years has been supervising forecaster. He was a writer and lecturer on meteorological subjects and was a member of the National Geographic Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Academy of Sciences.

Professor Garriott had the full confidence of his chief and his quiet and cordial manner made him exceedingly popular. He was born in Lockland, Ohio, and was graduated from Washington University in 1870. He is survived by his wife and an unmarried daughter.

### FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Four thousand five hundred employees of the Pressed Steel Car Company have gone on strike at McKees Rocks, Pa.

It is estimated that the last corn crop would require 50,000 trains of thirty cars each to transport all of it. Benton McMinn, former Governor of Tennessee, announced at Nashville his candidacy for the United States Senate, subject to the Democratic primary June 4, to succeed James B. Fraser.

## The Week in Congress

In a personal explanation to the Senate Wednesday Senator Piles of Washington disavowed any responsibility for the appointment of Richard A. Ballinger as commissioner of the general land office or later as Secretary of the Interior. This action resulted from intimations in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation that Mr. Piles had influenced the appointment in the interest of the Cunningham coal claimants. Senator Simmons of North Carolina spoke in favor of the Dixon long and short haul clause, after which the railroad bill was laid aside. The theory that the President may withdraw from entry the public lands without authority of Congress was combated by Senator Brash in an extended argument. In the House the entire session was taken up by the consideration of bills affecting Indian lands.

The Senate Thursday reached an agreement to begin voting at 4 o'clock Friday on the long and short haul amendments to the railroad bill, and to meet daily at 11 o'clock, beginning Monday. The voting agreement for Friday provides that all amendments relating to the long and short haul shall be disposed of before the end of the legislative day, but the understanding does not preclude the taking of a recess from one day to another in case the amendments should require more time than can be given them Friday. All of the speeches were in support of the Dixon long and short haul amendment. They were made by Senators Clapp, Smoot and Nixon. The Senate passed the House omnibus lighthouse bill, which after receiving the consideration of a conference committee, will go to the President for his signature. In the House Representative Payne of New York delivered an extended defense of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, arguing that the recent advance in the cost of living was not due to that legislation. Representative Cox of Ohio spoke, denouncing conditions in national military homes.

The modified long and short haul amendment introduced by Senator Dixon as a substitute for the Heyburn amendment to the railroad bill was adopted by the Senate Friday after it had been perfected by incorporating in it a portion of the Paynter amendment, favored by the Democrats. The vote on the substitute was 56 yeas, 10 nays. The House discussed the sundry civil bill.

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